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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
PARTS OF AN APPLICATION**

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Re: Inventor: Carlo Bottero et al.  
Serial No: 09/750,311  
Filed: December 29, 2000  
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SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**Letter to Official Draftsman  
Substitute Formal Drawings (18 sheets)  
Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application**

Our check in the amount of \$.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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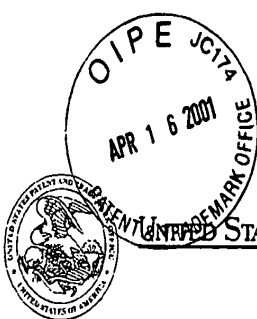
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$324.
  - \$324 for 33 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 324.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

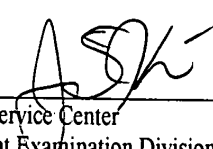
- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Carlo BOTTERO ET AL.

GROUP ART UNIT: 2877

SERIAL NO: 09/750,311

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FOR: AUTOPROTECTED OPTICAL COMMUNICATION...

LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN

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SIR:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application,  
attached hereto please find 18 sheets of Substitute Formal Drawings. It is requested that the  
enclosed 18 sheets of Substitute Formal Drawings be entered to replace the drawings  
previously filed in this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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